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1. BELGIAN AMBASSADOR, IN HIS EC PRESIDENCY CAPACITY, CALLED ON IO DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY DALLEY JULY 7 TO CONVEY OFFICIAL REQUEST FOR US/EC NINE CONSULTATION BEFORE US FINAL DECISION ON WITHDRAWAL FROM ILO. AMBASSADOR NOTED THAT EC-9 ATTACHED THE GREATEST IMPORTANCE TO US MEMBERSHIP AND THAT POLITICAL DIRECTORS WOULD DISCUSS ILO QUESTION AT CURRENT SESSION.

2. IN RECEIVING EC-9 REQUEST, DALLEY STRESSED THAT WHILE OUR ASSESSMENT OF JUNE ILO CONFERENCE WAS EXCEEDINGLY NEGATIVE, US WISHED TO MAKE ITS DECISION CAREFULLY. ON TIMING OF THAT DECISION, NO DEADLINE HAD BEEN SET, ALTHOUGH MATTER MIGHT BE REVIEWED BY CABINET LEVEL-COMMITTEE LATE JULY OR IN EARLY AUGUST. DALLEY INDICATED THAT US HAD PLANNED TO CONSULT WITH ITS ALLIES ON DECISION (EVEN PRIOR TO EC-9 DEMARCHE) AND WELCOMED EUROPEANS' DESIRE FOR CONSULTATIONS.

3. WITH REGARD TO VENUE FOR US/EC-9 CONSULTATIONS, THE

AMBASSADOR SAID HE WAS UNINSTRUCTED AS TO EC PREFERENCE. IT WAS AGREED THAT GENEVA WAS LOGICAL LOCATION, BUT QUESTION WAS LEFT OPEN. IT WAS AGREED THAT WE WOULD BE IN TOUCH ON THIS AND TIMING OF CONSULTATIONS.

4. WHILE AMBASSADOR LIMITED HIMSELF TO MAKING EC-9 REQUEST FOR CONSULTATIONS, IT WAS CLEAR THAT THRUST OF THOSE CONSULTATIONS WOULD BE TO FORESTALL US WITHDRAWAL FROM ILO. IT IS INTERESTING THAT, IN CONVERSATION FEW DAYS BEFORE WITH IO OFFICER, BELGIAN EMBASSY OFFICIAL NOTED THAT HE DID NOT SEE HOW US COULD REMAIN IN ORGANIZATION AFTER JUNE CONFERENCE. VANCE

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